

FURTHER FIGHT SEEMS PROBABLE

Question of Preferential Primary Will Be Brought Up in State Convention.

GRATIFYING REPORT OF FAIR

Gain in Total Receipts Shown, North Carolina Flag to Be Returned.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Raleigh, N. C., March 21.—The outcome of the lengthy session of the State Democratic Executive Committee last night which continued from 8 o'clock to 12:30 seems to meet with very general approval among practically every element of the party. Not only is this true of the selection of the day for the State convention, June 6, and the dates for the precinct meetings and primaries May 18, and the county conventions May 25, but also as to the State-wide primary for United States Senate.

It is pointed out that the action of the committee in "ordering" the primary to be held on general election day instead of merely recommending to the State convention that this be done, as the senatorial candidates had asked and as the original resolution offered in the convention by A. W. McLean provided, relieves the candidate of any necessity of going into the counties and taking any hand in the nomination of the Democratic candidates for the State Legislature, since the definite calling of the primary and prescribed obligation for the Democratic legislators to abide by the result of the primary in electing the Senator assures the election of the choice of the people as Senator.

The biggest fight last night came over the proposal of Corporation Commissioner E. L. Travis not only to "order" the primary instead of recommending it, but to prescribe that the preferential system of primaries be used. It was this that brought about an evident union of the supporters of the Simmons and Aycock candidates for the Senate against the Kitchen and Clark wing, showing high degree of unanimity in preference of preferential and a roll call showed the opposing alliances lined up thirty-nine against preferential, and seventeen for preferential.

There is certain to be a renewal of the fight for preferential in the State convention, which has the power to change or abrogate entirely the action of the committee. However, there is no doubt that the order for the primary shall stand, whatever changes may be made as to the character of it or the regulations governing it. E. J. Justice, of Greensboro, gave notice that he would move in the State convention to make the changes that the committee had voted down.

The official report of the last State Fair, the fifty-third North Carolina State Fair, has been issued, and it is most gratifying in its showing of the high degree of success. In spite of the fact that the last year was one of the disastrous in the history of State fairs the country over. In this report Secretary Joseph E. Pogue takes occasion to urge that some steps be taken to finance a new building to go up, in spite of the fact that there is not money in the treasury this year for any new buildings. He wants a modern general exhibition building financed and members of the executive committee are understood to be very favorable to such an undertaking. The last fair shows a gain of \$1,556 in receipts, due to cutting out passes and half-rate tickets. The total receipts for the last fair were \$1,884 more than for 1910, and a gain of \$4,182 is reported in the report. The bonded indebtedness is \$22,000, there being no other debts, and the fair property being valued at \$76,000. The receipts for the year were \$84,718, with balance in bank of \$8,747.

Development of Local Taxation.
The development of local taxation in North Carolina for the improvement of public schools is treated in two bulletins recently issued from the State Department of Education. One reviews the rise and progress of local school taxation from 1875, when the first law was made, to the present time. There were only four local tax districts in 1880, and the development to date has been to 1,275 districts, with annual taxation of \$1,228,826, the taxation for this year being \$1,610,028 more.

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than the tax for 1911. There are twenty-seven counties that have from eighteen to forty-seven districts; twenty-two have as many as eleven to fifteen; twenty-one have from six to ten; twenty-two have from two to five districts, and every county except one, has at least one district for local taxation. The bulletin on local taxation and its development since 1875 treats the subject under the captions "What It Is and How to Get It," "The Need of It," "Popularity and Success of It in North Carolina" and "Some of the Benefits of It."

The Proctor Hotel Company, Greenville, has been chartered with \$125,000 capital authorized, and \$60,000 subscribed for general hotel business, by J. O. Proctor and others. Another charter was for the Flat Rock-Holersy Mills, Inc., capital \$125,000, by C. E. Rogers, N. J. G. Scratcheson, Jr., E. H. Wells and F. B. Smith, for general hotel business. The Suburban Water Company, Raleigh, capital \$25,000 authorized, and \$1,800 subscribed, for providing water and sewerage for the suburban residence property in the vicinity of the Raleigh Country Club.

The Adjutant-General of New Jersey, carrying out instructions from the Legislature, has written the Adjutant-General of North Carolina desiring to return to this State a flag of the Twenty-second North Carolina Infantry that was captured at Chancellorsville in 1863, and also a flag believed to belong to North Carolina, which is described as being "made out of a woman's dress or shawl, and having white stars on a blue field, and bearing the inscription, 'Surry Marksmen and Traitors Beware.'" Also in a worn section of the flag there are the letters "Car—" the belief being that this really read "Carolina."

INTERESTED IN CANAL

Every Foreign Country to Take Advantage of Waterway.

New York, March 21.—Dr. Eusebio A. Morales, minister from the republic of Panama to Germany, Holland and Belgium, who is in New York to-day on his way to Panama, after an absence of several years in Europe, says that all the European nations are getting ready to take every possible commercial advantage of the Panama Canal. One of the last things he heard before sailing for New York was the talk of a new Belgium steamship line, which it is proposed to operate between Belgium and Portland, Ore, via the Isthmian Canal.

"You cannot have any idea," said Dr. Morales, "of the great interest taken everywhere in Europe in the canal. As a rule I found all of the nations expecting to have the use of the canal on the same terms as will be accorded to the American flag. None of them seemed to think that the American Congress would give American shipping the benefit of a differential rate."

No Chance of Election.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Washington, March 21.—When Congressman Sleep was asked to-day what he thought of the nomination of General Ayers to the House from the Ninth Virginia District, he said: "I have been such a good friend to General Ayers and to the various members of his family that I am sure if his heart he would prefer my remaining in Congress to his going himself. I am also sure that he has not the slightest chance of election."

GETS VALID TITLE TO FORD'S HOTEL

Supreme Court Affirms Decision in Which City of Richmond Was a Party.

OLD LITIGATION SOON ENDS

Charles Bass, of Hanover, Wins Again on Appeal—Other Court Matters.

In an opinion handed down by Judge Cardwell in the Virginia Supreme Court yesterday the title of the city of Richmond to the Ford Hotel property is confirmed. The case was known as Benet and others against Ford and others, appealed from the Chancery Court of the city of Richmond. The estate of A. J. Ford has been the subject of prolonged litigation for many years, with many ramifications, claimants appearing against the interests of the four children, while contentions arose as to the sharing of the various heirs.

Last year a general compromise was effected between the heirs by which Estate Madeline Ford was given \$28,000, and the compromise was confirmed by the court, and certain property was ordered sold and the proceeds distributed in accordance with the proportion agreed upon. Under this order the Ford Hotel property at Eleventh and Broad Streets was offered for sale, and brought \$80,000, which price was refused. The city of Richmond then offered \$80,000. The City Attorney intimating that he was authorized to institute condemnation proceedings if that price was not agreed upon, and the court confirmed the sale price.

Objected to Price. Mrs. Mary Lee Benet claimed that the price was not sufficient, and refused to give her sanction to the sale to the city at the price. The action of the Supreme Court in upholding the Chancery Court's decision affirms the sale to the city and secures the city in its title.

A few remaining pieces of property, mainly located in Gloucester county, are yet to be sold, and the proceeds divided before the papers in the famous Ford case may be placed among the ended causes in the Chancery Court.

Bass Wins on Appeal. Judge Cardwell also handed down an opinion in the case of the Commonwealth against Bass, in which the Circuit Court of Hanover county is affirmed.

In this case a writ was awarded the Commonwealth from the judgment of the Circuit Court in acquitting the defendant, Charles Bass, after he had been convicted by a magistrate's court on the charge of violating the revenue laws of the State in selling intoxicating liquors without a license. The verdict of the Circuit Court in holding him not guilty was affirmed.

Petitions for Appeal. In the case of Luck Construction Company against the county of Russell, from the Circuit Court of Russell county, a writ of error and supersedeas was granted with bond in the sum of \$1,800.

In the case of Elmore against Williams from the Circuit Court of Lunenburg county, an appeal was refused. In the case of Clarke against the Commonwealth, from the Circuit Court of Amelia county, a writ of error was refused.

In the case of the Roanoke Hat Company against Dillard and others, from the Circuit Court of the city of Roanoke, an appeal was refused.

The following cases were argued yesterday: Kidd et al. vs. Virginia Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Argued by J. T. Coleman for appellant and by S. G. Brent and J. K. M. Morton for appellee, and submitted.

Harper-Henderson. Argued by E. R. Baird, Jr., for appellant, and by R. R. Hicks for appellee, and submitted. Next cases to be called: Monk et al. vs. Barnett et al.; Burgwin vs. Norfolk and Western Railway et al.; Lee vs. Elliott & Co., Inc., et al.

Harper-Henderson. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Alexandria, Va., March 21.—Miss Ruth Virginia Henderson and William R. Harper, both of this city, were married yesterday evening at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Robert M. Graham. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. F. Watson, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Following a wedding reception Mr. and Mrs. Harper left for a Northern bridal trip. They will reside here.

BOY LINCOLN HAD TIME LEARNING

Youth of To-Day Has Knowledge Within Easy Reach That Young "Abe" Worked For.

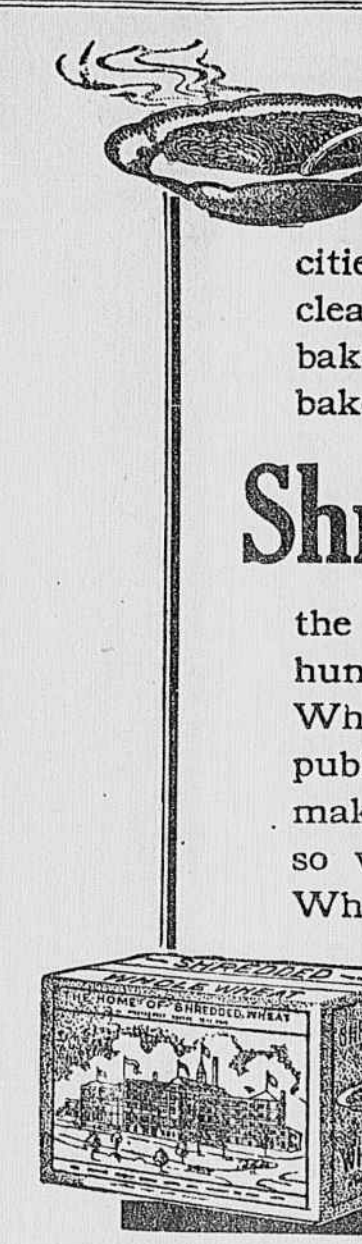
Not only to have the desire to learn to know the reason why, and the reason wherefor, but to have the building determination and stick-to-itiveness to walk ten miles twice a day in bitter cold weather is what the boy Lincoln possessed in support of his ambition to become great.

Lincoln attained his desire. That he was good as well as great, a whole united world will assent to, and no one will deny that but for the learning for which he longed and for which he struggled he would have been little known of a few centuries ago.

The struggle to obtain the learning was useful in building Lincoln's character no doubt, but the learning was what was absolutely necessary to his success.

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BUILDERS WORK FOR AMENDED LAW

Adopts Resolutions Thanking Citizens for Support Given Gilman Ordinance.

The ordinance committee of the Builders' Exchange, at a meeting held yesterday, adopted resolutions expressing its appreciation for support given the Gilman ordinance by real estate people and citizens. The Gilman measure, which is a bill of amendment to be created by the City Council, which is to hear all appeals from rulings by the Builders' Exchange committee.

Following are the resolutions adopted by the Builders' Exchange committee: "Be it resolved, That the Builders' Exchange of the city of Richmond heartily appreciates the action taken by the real estate firms and citizens of the city of Richmond in approving

Catarrh of Stomach

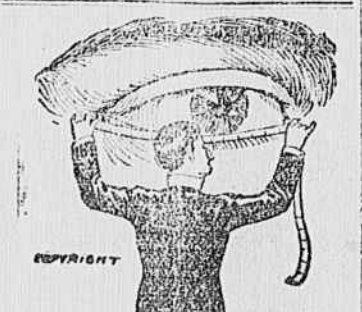
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ALEXANDRIA PRIMARY WILL BE HELD IN APRIL

Candidate for Mayor—Four Aldermen and Eight Councilmen Will Be Nominated.

Alexandria, Va., March 21.—The City Democratic Committee at a meeting held to-night completed plans for a State primary, which will be held the latter part of next month, when a candidate for Mayor will be nominated, as also will four Aldermen and eight members of the Common Council, representing one-half of the membership of the two branches of City Council. The meeting was presided over by Charles Benheim, city chairman.

There are two candidates seeking the nomination for Mayor, Hubert Snowden, president of the Common Council, and A. D. Brockett, former president of the Chamber of Commerce, and now a member of council from the Third Ward.

The Board of Police Commissioners of this city will recommend the appointment of three sergeants of police at a meeting of City Council which is held Tuesday night next. The State Legislature recently changed the city's charter so that its only request abolishing the office of lieutenant of police and substituting thereof sergeants. The Commissioners will ask that the sergeants be ranked as first, second and third, and that the salary of the first sergeant be made \$70 a month, while the others are to receive \$65 a month each. It is expected that Council will carry out the recommendations.

Jefferson Hotel Arrivals. John T. Cowan, Montgomery county, Va.; G. M. Barker, Lynchburg, Va.; Mrs. A. Wilson, Savannah, Ga.; Miss Byrd Wilson, Savannah, Ga.; Mrs. H. Smith, Savannah, Ga.; C. H. Brown, Philadelphia; S. L. Lott, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Gross, New York; Mr. J. S. Van Coten, Crofton-Hudson, N. Y.; Miss Van Coten, Crofton-Hudson, N. Y.; Mrs. R. S. Jones, Emporia, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Pierce, Arlington, Mass.; W. S. Williams, Norfolk, Va.; J. L. Jeffers, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Plummer, Philadelphia; C. Lombardi and wife, Dallas, Texas; H. Raymond, Smith and wife, Syracuse, N. Y.; R. B. Ruse, Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, Sheffield, Pa.; John A. Towle, Andover, Mass.

The Junior Literary Club gave a delightful musical in the home of Miss Martha Hughes this afternoon. An interesting program was given. Those taking part were Misses Annie Cox, Carol Jones, Elizabeth Cherry, Anne Leach, Virginia Robinson, Lillie Carter, well, Cabell Jones, Carolyn Marsh, Anne Maye, Alice Paine, Katherine Marsh, Ann Marion Potts, Maud Woodfin, Street, Eric Blackwell, Caroline Hildette, Clark Hoffmann, Louise Miller, Annie Cox, Sara Cardwell, Kitty Kent.

Swimmer Fights With Turtle. Palm Beach, Fla., March 21.—John Jordan, of Buffalo, a guest of William J. Conners, his brother-in-law, was attacked while bathing by one of the largest turtles ever seen here, and for fifteen minutes was threatened with severe bodily injury, if not death by drowning. He rescued with bites on the arms and legs. A turtle has not been known before to attack a man in these waters.

Mr. Jordan entered the water alone in front of the Conners residence and was swimming about 200 feet from shore when the turtle rose under him. It immediately struck him, and he jumped on its back. The turtle swam for deep water and then dove, unsetting Mr. Jordan. Coming to the surface, it again struck at him viciously, unable to swing away. Jordan figured his safety lay in clinging to the turtle's back, and using his feet as a rudimentary flippers, he steered it toward shore.

Miss Alice Conners seeing his plight from the piazza summoned two Japanese servants, who rushed out with a clothes line. Pouncing a noose they got it over the turtle's head after a struggle in which both were bitten. The turtle measured five and a half feet.

Mayor-Larnard. Alexandria, Va., March 21.—Miss Ethel E. Larnard, daughter of Francis Larnard, of this city, and William G. Mayer, the latter of Washington, took place at 6 o'clock this evening at the residence of the bride's father, 115 South Columbia street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. J. Morton, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church.

ALLISON ESTATE TO BUILD IN 1915

Skyscraper to Be Erected on Pace Building Site, at Eighth and Main.

Plans for a Main Street skyscraper are being leisurely matured by the Allison estate to replace the old Pace building, now occupied by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company general offices, construction work not to begin before 1915.

The Chesapeake and Ohio has joined with the First National Bank in the erection of the new skyscraper on Ninth and Main Streets, and expects to vacate the Pace building by September 1. Permits were issued yesterday for general overhauling of the old Pace building, installation of a new stairway and elevator, and other repairs that it may be used as a general office building after the railway offices are vacated.

In securing this permit trustees of the Allison estate informed Building Inspector Beck that the repairs were of only a temporary character. The building really belongs to James W. Allison, a minor, who will not become of age for three years, and the courts have only consented to such repairs and expenditures as will preserve the present property. It is the plan of the estate, however, to go ahead with plans for a gigantic building, having a frontage of half a block on Main Street, and a depth of more than half a block, to have all in readiness for awarding the contract as soon as Mr. Allison becomes of age, when the property may be so invested without court supervision.

The repairs and alterations to be made at this time, therefore, are more or less temporary, it being planned to use the present building only until 1915.

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